

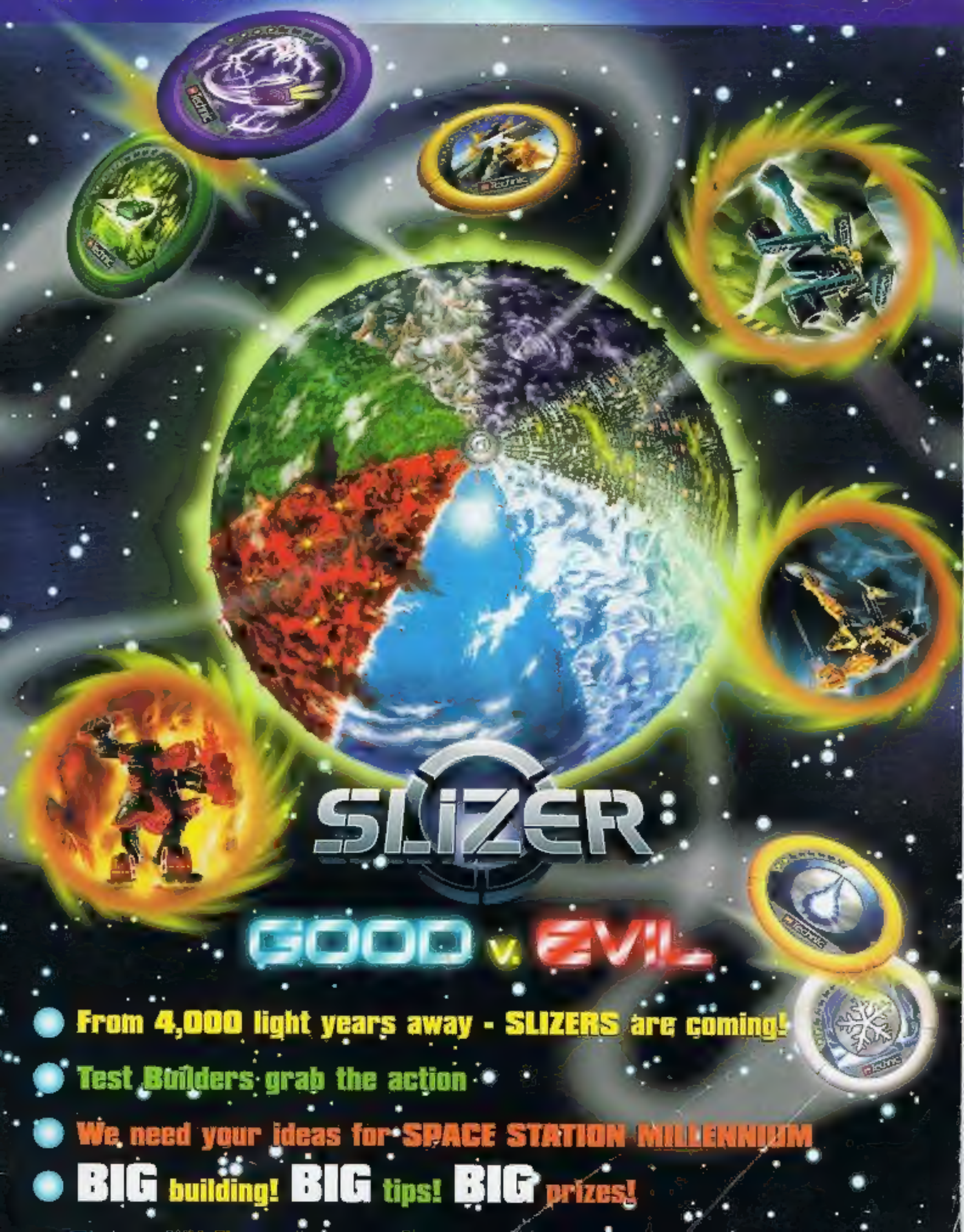


# Technic

# Magazine

The official publication of the LEGO® TECHNIC Club

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## SLIZER

### GOOD v EVIL

- From 4,000 light years away - SLIZERS are coming!
- Test Builders grab the action
- We need your ideas for SPACE STATION MILLENNIUM
- **BIG** building! **BIG** tips! **BIG** prizes!



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 Favourite Hobby: **Collecting LEGO TECHNIC**  
 Favourite LT model: **Recovery Truck**



Models under Review:  
**Fire 8500 and Rock 8506**

I couldn't wait for the post to arrive. I got two of the models in the new SLIZER range - Fire and Rock - and the boxes were really colourful.



**OFFICIAL TEST**  
 Builders Rating **9/10**

TEST BUILDERS REPORT.

**Fire 8500**

**Rock 8506**

1999.

MODEL UNDER REVIEW.

The models came with their own carrying cases and two discs each - Fire had one of his own discs and one of Ice's. Rock had his own and one from Jungle.

There were about 20 bits in each box and reading the instructions as I went along, I suppose it took me about five minutes to make each one.

Fire is red and black, while Rock is creamy and grey. I had to be patient with Rock because his legs have got ball and socket joints which were a bit tricky.

The discs are great and have a good range. You have to fold up the models so they fit in their cases ..... I thought they were a good idea.

Fire was my favourite but I would give them both 9 out of 10!



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Favourite Food: **Pizza**

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Favourite LT model: **Sahara Blaster**



Models under Review:

**Sub 8503 & Jungle 8505**

I try to save up my pocket money to buy **LEGO TECHNIC**. About two years ago I was given the Fire Engine as a present and I've now got about 12 different models and want to get more.

**DISC DISTANCE**

Simons personal best is 3 metres



3 metres

*Can you do better!*

TEST BUILDERS REPORT.

Sub 8503

Jungle 8505

1999.

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I felt really lucky to be a **LEGO TECHNIC** Test Builder because it meant I got Sub and Jungle for nothing! It was great when they arrived!

Both **SLIZERS** have their own special cases, which I think is really cool! My mum says it makes my room look tidier! I keep them in their cases all the time unless I'm using them.

I made Sub first using the instructions. There were probably around 20 elements

that were mainly blue. It took me about 15 minutes in total.

With Jungle, I also followed the instructions, which are easy to understand, but there were some quite hard bits, like putting the moveable joints into the legs.

I like firing the **SLIZER** discs. My record is three metres!

Sub was my favourite - he's **GOOD** while Jungle is **EVIL**. Now I've got two **SLIZERS**, I'd like to buy the other six so I can build **MEGA SLIZER** and **SUPER SLIZER**!





# Is there anybo


Does life exist on other planets?  
Can we believe in UFOs or flying saucers  
transporting crews of aliens?  
What do we really know about what goes  
on in the outer reaches of the Universe  
thousands of light years away?

Some people believe alien life exists on other planets  
and others say it's rubbish! So what do **YOU** think  
...? Could there be extraterrestrials out there?

When **Neil Armstrong**, the first man on the  
moon, spoke those famous words "*One small step for  
man - one giant step for mankind*", he didn't report  
seeing any alien life. Neither did his partner  
**'Buzz' Aldrin**, who also set foot on the surface.

In the early 1970's, the American space agency  
**NASA** set up a research project called **SETI** -  
the **Search for ExtraTerrestrial Intelligence** -  
to investigate the possibility of alien life forms.

Since then, NASA has launched many un-manned  
rockets to gather information about our solar  
system - which is made up of the sun and nine  
planets orbiting it - Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars,  
Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto.



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Space MAN!



# dy out there....?

**Voyager 1** - which was launched from Cape Canaveral in September 1977 - spent more than 20 years in space before reaching the very edge of our solar system, dark, cold and more than 6½ billion miles away. Radio signals from that far away take more than 9½ hours travelling at the speed of light to reach earth!

Many films and TV programmes have featured life in outer space. Special Agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully are no strangers to cases involving extraterrestrials and the paranormal in The X Files.

But how would **YOU** know if you'd had an encounter with an alien? Would it look like anyone you'd see walking down your road?

If the alien was grey, about 4ft 6ins tall, with no ears or body hair, an over-sized head and black eyes, researchers believe it could very well be Zeta Reticuli from the Zeta Reticular star system. The clinching feature would be the four over-sized fingers on each hand!



The search for aliens in space goes on - as it does closer to home.

UFO experts say they've no doubt that other life forms exist - some airline pilots have been unable to explain some of the things they've seen in the skies.

## SPACE TRAVEL FACTFILE

**First man in space:**  
Yuri Gagarin 12th April '61

**First American in space:**  
John Glenn 20th Feb '62

**First woman in space:**  
Valentina Tereshkova 16th June '63

**First space walk:**  
Alexei Leonov 18th March '65

**First flight to the moon:**  
Apollo 8 21st Dec '68

**First moon landing:**  
Apollo 11 16th July '69

**First man on the moon:**  
Neil Armstrong 16th July '69

**First Briton in space:**  
Helen Sharman 18th May '91

## And so the investigations continue.....

## COMPETITION...

We've got a GREAT space question for you...  
8 first prize winners will win all 8 SLIZERS....  
10 runners-up will receive LTC GOODY BAGS!

**Q** Neil Armstrong was the first man to walk on the moon. Which of his fellow Apollo 11 astronauts was the second person to do a moonwalk? Was it...

- A : David Bowie
- B : Michael Jackson
- C : Buzz Aldrin

Send your answer together with your name, age, address and membership number on a POSTCARD ONLY to:

**Moonwalk Competition, LEGO UK,  
Ruthin Road, Wrexham LL13 7TQ**

### PLUS

We've got 3 special prizes for the best LEGO TECHNIC aliens!

Create your own alien and send us a photograph saying where you got the idea from - and we'll print the winning models!



# SLIZER

# GOOD

They rule their continents on a planet 4,000 light years from Earth with their own awesome and unique powers, zapping on who cross their paths ..... and there are eight different **LEGO TECHNIC SLIZER** sets for you to collect. Each has his own mission ...

Good and evil are ranged against each other.

These gladiator-like figures, each have their own individual characters - but all come with powerful firing arms to fling the discs you collect until you have a full set of six for each character.

These new additions to the **LEGO TECHNIC** range have an added bonus. Collect all four Good SLIZER



## ROCK SLIZER

Rock tunnels through mountains in minutes with his ace pickaxes.

## JUNGLE SLIZER

Jungle can hack his way through any obstacle with his machete.

## JUDGE SLIZER

Judge can fling discs with both arms and sneaks up on opponents.

## FIRE SLIZER

Fire is a hot head with awesome power and a flame-thrower to match.

## MEGA SLIZER



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## ENERGY SLIZER

Energy is electrifying - and zaps his opponents to prove it.



## CITY SLIZER

City is a turbo-charged robo-racer they're all trying to catch.



## ICE SLIZER

Ice is the cool dude - right at home in the snow, who puts the freeze on opponents.



## SUB SLIZER

Sub lives underwater and turns into a mini Submarine to zoom out of danger.



warriors and they fuse to create a **SUPER SLIZER**. The four Evil **SLIZER** figures fuse to become a **MEGA SLIZER**.

All the figures are in the shops now - they all come with a specially designed carrying case you can put on your trouser belt and two discs. Six discs make a full set for each figure and have different colours, graphics and values ..... swap with your mates.

So which is the ultimate **SLIZER**? Will it be Fire, Ice, City, Sub, Judge, Jungle, Rock or Energy?

What will happen when **SUPER SLIZER** meets **MEGA SLIZER**?

The answer is in your hands ...

## SUPER SLIZER



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# HERE THEY ARE...

Special  
**LTC**  
BUILDING PLAN



## Super SLIZER

IS MADE FROM

Fire 8500 Ice 8501

Sub 8503 City 8502

Back Detail



Head Close-up



Leg Connections





ase images of NEW Super SLIZER and Mega SLIZER

# for you to build!

# Mega SLIZER

IS MADE FROM

Jungle 8505 Energy 8507  
Judge 8504 Rock 8506



Special  
**LTC**  
BUILDING PLAN

Back Detail



Head Close-up



Leg Connections





# Space Station Miller

In the last edition, we launched our **BIGGEST** challenge ever! An out-of-this-world competition to help LEGO scientists develop a space station to protect Earth from asteroid attack.

We've had some great entries so far showing state-of-the-art LEGO **TECHNIC** technology at its best!

So keep them coming in - and remember, all you have to do is use your imagination and artistic skills to design a unique spacecraft - then build it!

You have a choice of three vehicles to build:

- (a) Space Defence Vehicle
- (b) Space Rescue Vehicle
- (c) Space Reconnaissance Vehicle

## Check out these great entries...

Brothers Graham & Richard Hutchinson, aged 14 and 13, from Leicester, built their Rescue Vehicle **SCORPIO** in just ten hours!

Like a scorpion, this amazing machine also has a nasty surprise for attackers - a one man vehicle called Sting.

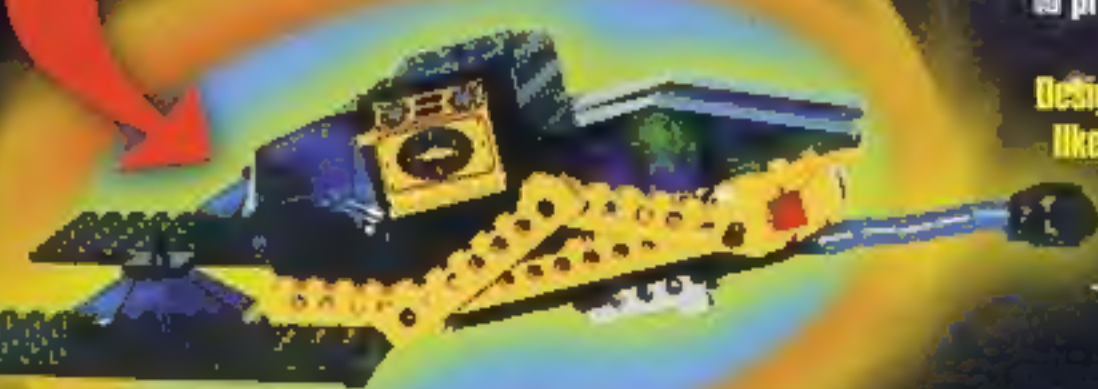
Scorpio can travel for 10 days at maximum speed without refuelling and even has an auto-homing device to return to Millennium Space Station. **PRETTY SMART!**



From Scorpio to **SPIDER** - a great Defence Vehicle to protect Millennium from alien attacks and flying meteors!

Designer Christopher Parrott, who's 10 and lives in Ilkeston, Derbyshire, called it Spider because of its six legs!

Spider also has a clever safety feature - an escape pod with a blast shield to protect the pilot. Under the shield are two pulse blasters to launch counter attacks.



**ATLANTIS II** is a Reconnaissance Vehicle created by Lawrie Doran, 11, from Flixton, Manchester.

It's designed to seek out alien life and bring samples back to Millennium.

Atlantis II is also capable of carrying out reconnaissance duties in a hostile environment - it's fully equipped and armed with self defence devices and weapons.





# Millennium



We need your help to protect the Earth!

## How to enter!

Send in a photograph of your design together with a name and short description. Remember to keep your model intact in case it's needed for judging.

The winner will get a MINDSTORMS Robotics Invention System™ PLUS ROBOSPORTS™ and EXTREME CREATURES™ Expansion Sets  
**OR:** Your choice of LEGO TECHNIC sets worth up to €250.



Look out for the next two issues of LTM where we'll be giving you a few ideas and showing you some more of the entries we've received.

Send your entries marked 'Space Station Millennium Competition' to LEGO TECHNIC Club, LEGO UK, Wrexham, LL13 7TQ together with details of your name, address, age and membership number.

Space Station Millennium must be ready for action by the Year 2000 - so waste no time!

# LEGO MINDSTORMS Corner

Check out the latest **HOT NEWS** from **LEGO MINDSTORMS**... plus YOUR chance to show us what you can do with the RCX brick!

We've been snowed under with fab ideas for LEGO MINDSTORMS - Guy Sherwood has sent us photographs of FooFoo, which he built after getting MINDSTORMS for Christmas.

Guy, who is 10 and lives in Bournemouth, is a BIG fan of LEGO TECHNIC.

He says he copied the face, dumper and chassis from the constructopedia, but the feet and rotor were his own invention.

Guy is especially pleased with FooFoo, whose bumper enables him to avoid obstacles, without the rotor cutting out.

Since taking these pictures, Guy has fitted a light sensor to the dumper, which adds to the fun!

If you've been busy designing and creating weird and wonderful models with YOUR LEGO MINDSTORMS set, we want to hear from you!



Exclusive Opportunity for LEGO TECHNIC CLUB members!  
 Book your place at the

## LEGO MINDSTORMS Learning Centre

at the LEGOLAND Windsor Club Event on 5/6 June 1999

Simply complete the form below and send it along with your ticket booking form (see enclosed leaflet) to: Reservations Centre, LEGOLAND Windsor, Winkfield Road, Windsor, Berkshire SL4 4AY

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 Minimum age for booking is 9 years

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(NB. Children aged 9 years or over only)

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 21st MAY 1999  
 Your time slot will be confirmed in writing after this date

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[www.legomindstorms.com](http://www.legomindstorms.com)

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